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FOR DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

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SUBJ URBAN TRANSPORT: MAGNETIC LEVITATION SYSTEM

REFS OTTAWA 3649; OTTAWA A-503, OCT 7, 1974

1. PRESS REPORTS ONTARIO TRANSPORT MINISTER JOHN RHODES ANNOUNCED IN LEGISLATURE ON NOVEMBER 13 GO URBAN MAGNETIC LEVITATION PROJECT SUSPENDED AT LEAST FOUR TO SIX MONTHS FOR RECONSIDERATION IN LIGHT OF PULL OUT BY KRAUSS-MAFFEI. WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT REPORTEDLY HAS WITHDRAWN ITS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE KRAUSS-MAFFEI AND OTHER LONG-RANGE TRANSPORT PROJECTS. THUS, ONTARIO WOULD HAVE TO BEAR FULL COSTS OF GOING AHEAD WITH THIS PROJECT UNLESS IT COULD SECURE OTHER FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, RHODES INDICATED IT HAS AN ORAL COMMITMENT FROM MCDONNELL DOUGLAS TO CONTINUE ITS INVOLVEMENT IF ONTARIO GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO GO AHEAD. TEST TRACK PROJECT AT CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION GROUNDS IN TORONTO HAS BEEN CANCELED.

2. CLIPPINGS BEING SENT TO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
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3. TORONTO REQUESTED OBTAIN OFFICIAL TEXT OF RHODES STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTATION AND FORWARD TO DOT.

4. COMMENT: OIL RICH ALBERTA HAS ALSO BECOME A RECENT PARTICIPANT IN ONTARIO'S URBAN TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND IT IS THUS CONCEIVABLE THAT PROJECT WILL EVENTUALLY GO AHEAD IF ALL CONCERNED CONTINUE TO BE CONVINCED OF ITS TECHNOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY.  
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